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**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Kindly cancel all pending claims without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter disclosed therein and introduce new claims 37-55 as follows:

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37. (New) A recombinant adenoviral vector comprising an exogenous nucleotide sequence encoding all or part of an antibody and placed under the control of the elements necessary for its expression, wherein said antibody is modified by a toxic or immunopotentiating substance.

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